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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, an enquiry has been made in this matter. There is a common good fund, but the amount in that fund was only Rs. 147. The Executive Officer paid a sum of Rs. 500 to the Rayalaseema Famine Relief Fund. He did it in ignorance of the rules and in good faith and it is reported that the difference in amount can be adjusted from the undisbursed profits for the year 1946–47."

Supply of arms without licences to M.Ps., M.L.As. and M.L.Cs

9-30 a.m. * 1715 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the State Government were consulted by the Union Government on the question of giving arms without licence to the members of Lok Sabha and the State Legislature;

(*b*) whether the views of the Inspector-General of Police, Madras, were obtained in the matter; and

(*c*) whether a copy of the views expressed by the Inspector-General of Police will be placed on the table of the Assembly?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) *to* (*c*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to the question No. 1097 (1852) of Sri M. Narayana Kurup, M.L.A., given in this House on 5th March 1955."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" The other day the Hon. Minister said that he could not place a copy on the table of the House. The hon. Member Sri Narayana Kurup raised a point of order. A ruling on that is still pending."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I shall look up the records and see what it is."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" I want to make a submission. This is an important document casting aspersion on the Members of this House, particularly, by the Inspector-General of our State. So, whatever may be the ruling of the Speaker, I would request the Speaker to investigate the matter and satisfy himself at least."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I shall do so."

* 1716 *Q.*—SRI S. R. ARUMUGAM :—" I request that this question may be taken up to-morrow."

MR. SPEAKER :—" All right."

Repairs to tanks and varies in Vadavakulam

* 1718 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to repair tanks, varies, etc., in Vadavakulam in Tiruvarangulam vattam of Alangudi taluk, Pudukkottai Division in Tiruchirappalli district; and

(*b*) the stage in which the proposal now is?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) There is at present no proposal to repair varies but the Public Works Department have decided to carry out certain repairs to the Vadakulam tank.

" (b) The estimate for repairs to the tank has been sanctioned under the Special Minor Irrigation Programme and the work will be taken up for execution shortly by the local officers, to whom the sanctioned estimate has been returned."

Criminal tribes in Tiruchirappalli district.

* 1719 Q.—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the communities which were declared as criminal tribes in Tiruchirappalli district prior to 1947;

(b) the names of villages in Tiruchirappalli district where these communities live; and

(c) the criterion by which a particular community was declared a criminal tribe?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) & (b) A statement [a] giving the particulars is placed on the table of the House.

" (c) The criterion in the law then in force was that a tribe should be addicted to the systematic commission of non-bailable offences."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" I know for certain that Thennur Padayachis and Padayachis of Udayarpalayam taluk were included in the list of criminal tribes maintained by the Government. On a previous occasion, on the floor of this House the then Minister for Law stated so. May I know why the glaring omission is found in this list? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I have given an exhaustive list. I do not think I can add to it now."

Yarn for Co-operative Weavers' Societies.

* 1720 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether yarn is supplied to the Co-operative Weavers' Societies through the Provincial Co-operative Society, Madras; and

(b) if so, at what rate 20s, 40s and 60s are sold to the societies?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) & (b) A statement [b] is placed on the table of the House."

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[a] **Printed as Appendix II on page 770 infra.**

[b] **Printed as Appendix III on page 771 infra.**